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- 16. (New) A method as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the treatment is carried out in several steps.
- 17. (New) A method as claimed in claim 16, characterized in that the dioxide stage is two-stepped, whereby about 5 25 kg/adt of chlorine dioxide calculated as active chlorine is dosed into each treatment step.

REMARKS

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

The above amendments are made to place the claims in a more traditional format.

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